

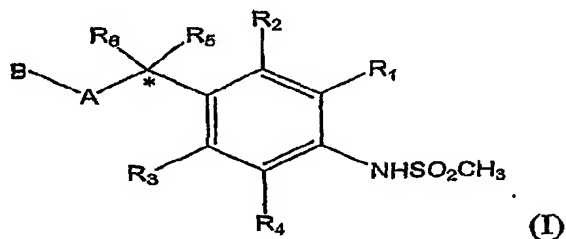
**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1-14. (canceled)

15. (previously presented) A compound corresponding to formula (I) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or isomer thereof:



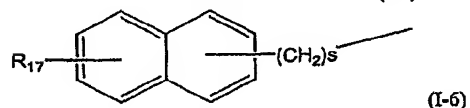
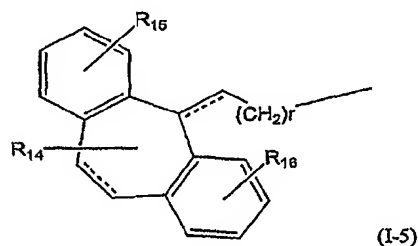
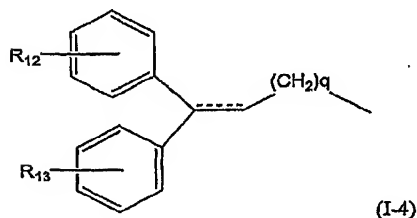
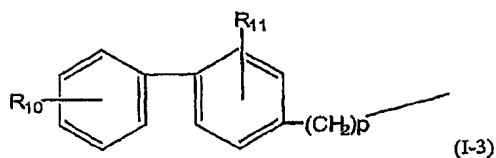
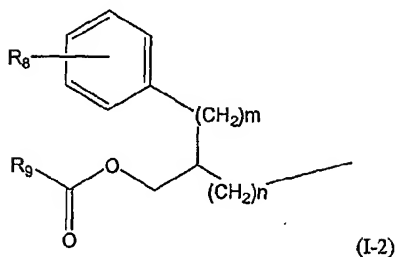
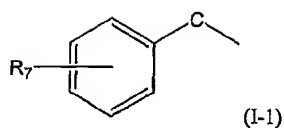
wherein:

A is CONH, NHCO, NHC(=S)NH, or NHC(=O)NH;

R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> is independently a hydrogen, halogen atom, cyano group, nitro group, lower alkyl amine, lower alkoxy group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, carboxylic acid, hydroxamic acid, alkyl ester group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkyl amide group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, benzylamide group, or a 5 or 6-member heterocyclic ring;

R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are independently a hydrogen, hydroxyl group, amino group, straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, a cycloalkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a phenyl or benzyl group optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of halogen atom, an amine group, and an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, provided that both of R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are not hydrogen atoms simultaneously;

B is a group selected from

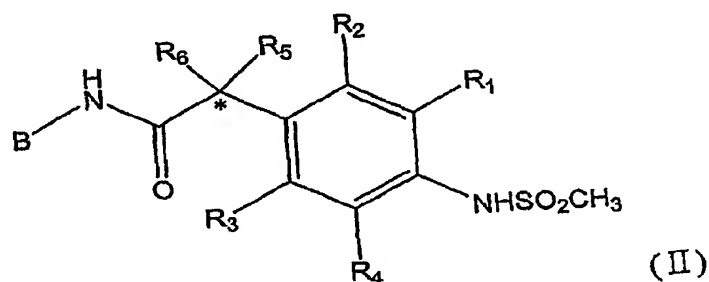


in which  $R_7$  to  $R_{17}$  is independently a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, or a straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms optionally substituted with more than one halogen atom;

$C$  is an alkyl, alkenyl, or alkynyl group having 1 to 5 carbon atoms which may include one or more heteroatoms, wherein each of  $m$ ,  $n$ ,  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $r$ , and  $s$  is an integer of 0 to 3; and

an asteric mark \* indicates a chiral carbon atom; and  
(-----) mark indicates a double bond or single bond chain.

16. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 15, corresponding to formula (II) or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or isomer thereof:



wherein,

R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> is independently a hydrogen, halogen atom, cyano group, nitro group, lower alkyl amine, lower alkoxy group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, carboxylic acid, hydroxamic acid, alkyl ester group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkyl amide group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, benzylamide group, or a five or six-member heterocyclic ring; and

R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are independently a hydrogen, hydroxyl group, amino group, straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms or a phenyl or benzyl group optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of halogen atom, amine group and alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon, provided that both of R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are not hydrogen simultaneously

17. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 16, wherein said compound is at least one selected from the group consisting of:

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methanesulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(1-51, KMJ-372),

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-chloro-4-(methanesulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(1-52, KMJ-470),

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-bromo-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (1-53,SH-173),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-iodo-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (1-54,SH-168),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3,5-difluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-55,SH-285),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-cyano-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (1-56,SH-219),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-methoxycarbonyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-57, JMJ-806),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-carboxyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-58, KMJ-788),  
N-4(*tert*-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-methoxycarbonyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-59,KMJ-838),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-(benzylamino)carbonyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (1-60,KMJ-836),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-piperidino-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-61,YS-65),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-morpholino-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-62,YS-49),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-(N-Boc)piperazino-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-63,YS-76),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-piperazino-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-64,YS-79),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (1-65,CHK-717),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[2-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (1-66,KMJ-708),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[2-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (1-67,KMJ-698),

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(2-7, KMJ-750),  
N-(4-chloro)-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (2-8, YS-85),  
N-(3,4-dichloro)-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (2-9, YS-97),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (3-5, SU-834),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (3-6, SU-824),  
N-(4-chlorobenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-1, SH-291),  
N-(4-chlorobenzyl)-2-[3-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-2, SH-290),  
N-(4-chlorobenzyl)-2-[3-bromo-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-3, SH-335),  
N-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-4, SH-94),  
N-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2-[3-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-5, SH-286),  
N-(3,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2-[3-bromo-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-6, SH-337),  
N-(4-methylbenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-7, SH-351),  
N-(4-isopropylbenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-8, KMJ-928),  
N-(4-methoxybenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-9, SH-353),  
N-(4-trifluoromethylbenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (4-10, SH-93),  
N-(4-phenylbenzyl)-2-(3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-11, KMJ-498),

N-(1-naphthylmethyl)-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-12, SH-92),  
N-(1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1-naphthalenyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (4-13, SH-112),  
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propionamide (4-14, KMJ-374),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (4-15, SU-770),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)-  
phenyl]propionamide (4-16, SU-774),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)-  
phenyl]propionamide (4-17, SU-776),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-2-propenyl]-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-  
phenyl]propionamide (4-18, KMJ-686),  
N-[3-(4-chlorophenyl)propyl]-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (4-19, KMJ-518),  
N-[3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-propenyl]-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (4-20, KMJ-732),  
N-benzyloxy-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (4-21, SH-  
109),  
N-(benzhydryl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-22, SH-130),  
N-(2,2-diphenylethyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-23, SH-116),  
N-(3,3-diphenylpropyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide  
(4-24, KMJ-378),  
N-(3,3-diphenyl-2-propenyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-  
propionamide (4-25, KMJ-724),  
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phenyl]propionamide (4-26, KMJ-908),

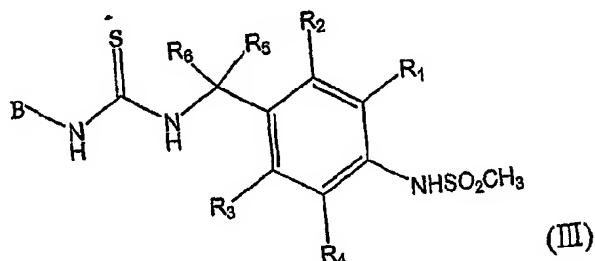
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N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (5-1,CHK-512),  
N-[2-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-propionamide (5-2,CHK-514),  
2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]propionamide (5-3,SU-542),  
2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-N-[2-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]propionamide (5-4,SU-564),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (5-5,CHK-479),  
N-[2-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[3-methoxy-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (5-6,CHK-499),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[3-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (5-7,KNJ-472),  
N-[2-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[3-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (5-8, KMJ-690),  
N-[(1R)-1-benzyl-2-(pivaloxy)ethyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-1, SU-730)\*  
N-[(1S)-1-benzyl-2-(pivaloxy)ethyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-2, SU-634),  
N-[(1S)-1-benzyl-2-(pivaloxy)ethyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-3, SU-636),  
N-[(1R)-1-benzyl-2-(pivaloxy)ethyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-4, SU-728),  
N-[(2R)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-5, SU-826),

N-[(2S)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-6, SU-830),  
N-[(2S)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-7, SU-838),  
N-[(2R)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]propionamide (6-8, SU-818),  
N-[(2R)-2-(4-tert-butyl)benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (6-9, MK-271),  
N-[(2S)-2-(4-tert-butyl)benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (6-10, MK-272),  
N-[(2S)-2-(4-tert-butyl)benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (6-11, MK-450),  
N-[(2R)-2-(4-tert-butyl)benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2R)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (6-12, MK-452),  
N-[(2R)-2-(4-tert-butyl)benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (6-13, MK-453),  
N-[(2S)-2-(4-tert-butyl)benzyl-3-(pivaloxy)propyl]-(2S)-2-[3-chloro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]propionamide (6-14, MK-451),  
2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionic acid (7-4, CHK-624),  
2-(4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl)-2-methylpropionic acid (8-11),  
2-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionic acid (8-12),  
N-[2-(3, 4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-1, CHK-520),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-2, CHK-543),  
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N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-4, CHK-591),



N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-5, CHK-656),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-2-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-6, CHK-600),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-7, CHK- 715),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2- methylpropionamide (9-8, CHK-655),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-2-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-2-methylpropionamide (9-9),  
1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxylic acid (10-5),  
1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxylic acid (11-7, CHK-530),  
1-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxylic acid (11-8),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxamide (12-1, CHK-533),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]cyclopropane carboxamide (12-2, CHK-538),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-pivaloxypropyl]-1-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxamide (12-3, CHK-541),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-cyclopropane carboxamide (12-4, CHK-590),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-cyclopropane carboxamide (12-5),  
N-[3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propyl]-1-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-cyclopropane carboxamide (12-6, CHK-632),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxamide (12-7, CHK-719),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxamide (12-8, CHK-659), and  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-1-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]cyclopropane carboxamide (12-9, CHK-718).

18. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 15, corresponding to formula (III), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or an isomer thereof:



wherein

R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> is independently hydrogen, halogen, cyano group, nitro group, lower alkyl amine, lower alkoxy group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, carboxylic acid, hydroxamic acid, alkyl ester group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkyl amide group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, benzylamide group, or a five or six-member heterocyclic ring, provided that all of R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> are not hydrogen atoms simultaneously; and

R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are independently a hydrogen, hydroxyl group, amino group, straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a phenyl or benzyl group optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of halogen atom, amine group and alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbons, provided that both of R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are not a hydrogen atom simultaneously.

19. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 18, wherein said compound is selected from the group consisting of:

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methanesulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (15-1, LJO-328),

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-chloro-4-(methanesulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (15-2, CHK-992),

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-methoxy-4-(methanesulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (15-3, CHK-575),

N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-(methoxycarbonyl)-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (15-4, YHS-187),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-carboxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (15-5, YHS-209),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{(1R)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (16-5, SU-388),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{(1S)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (16-6, SU-400),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{(1R)-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (17-3, CJU-032),  
N-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-N'-{(1S)-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (17-6, CJU-039),  
N-[(2R)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{(1R)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-1, MK-229),  
N-[(2S)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{(1R)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-2, MK-202),  
N-[(2R)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-1-(1S)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-3, MK-230),  
N-[(2S)-2-benzyl-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{(1S)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-4, MK-228),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-5, LJO-388),  
N-[2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{(1R)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-6, SU-472),  
N-[(2R)-2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{(1R)-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-7, SU-512),  
N-[(2S)-2-(3,4-dimethylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-8),  
N-[2-(4-tert-butylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-9, LJO-401),

N-[2-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1(R)-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-10, MK-296),  
N-[2(R)-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1(R)-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-11, MK-334),  
N-[2(S)-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1(R)-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-12, MK-298),  
N-[2-(3,4-(dimethylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-13, LJO-344),  
N-[2-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-3-(pivaloyloxy)propyl]-N'-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}thiourea (18-14, LJO-366),  
N-[(2R)-3-phenyl-1-pivaloyloxy-2-propyl]-N'-[(R)- $\alpha$ -methyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)benzyl]thiourea (19-13, SU-692),  
N-[(2S)-3-phenyl-1-pivaloyloxy-2-propyl]-N'-[(R)- $\alpha$ -methyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)benzyl]thiourea (19-14, SU-704),  
N-[(2R)-3-phenyl-1-pivaloyloxy-2-propyl]-N'-[(S)- $\alpha$ -methyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)benzyl]thiourea (19-15, SU-720),  
N-[(2S)-3-phenyl-1-pivaloyloxy-2-propyl]-N'-[(S)- $\alpha$ -methyl-4-(methylsulfonylamino)benzyl]thiourea (19-16, SU-710),  
N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-4-(methylsulfonylamino)-3-fluorophenyl} propyl}thiourea (20-12, LJO-399),  
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N-4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)-3-fluorophenyl]-2-phenylethyl}thiourea (20-15, LJO-395),  
N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-methyl-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-ethyl}thiourea (21-7, CHK-593),  
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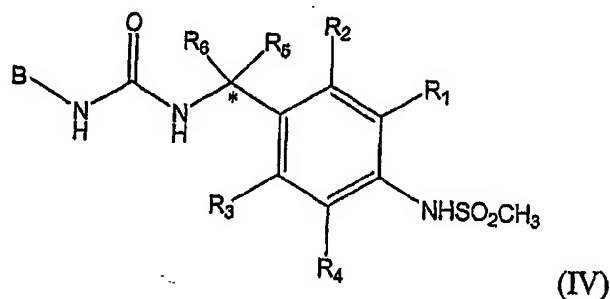
N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-methyl-1-[3-methoxy-4-methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-ethyl}thiourea (21-9, CHK-629),

N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]- cyclopropyl}-thiourea (22-7, CHK-579),

N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-cyclopropyl}thiourea (22-8), and

N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-{1-[3-methoxy-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]-cyclopropyl}thiourea (22-9, CHK-631).

~~21~~ 20. (currently amended) A compound according to claim 15, corresponding to formula (IV), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or isomer thereof :



wherein,

R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> is independently a hydrogen, halogen atom, cyano group, nitro group, lower alkyl amine, lower alkoxy group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, carboxylic acid, hydroxamic acid, alkyl ester group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkyl amide group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, benzylamide group, or five or six-member heterocyclic ring; and

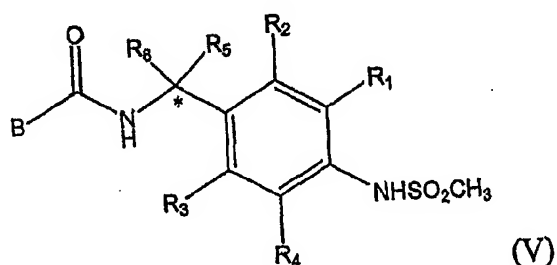
R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are independently a hydrogen, hydroxyl group, amino group, straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a phenyl or benzyl group optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, amine group and alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbons, provided that both of R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are not hydrogen atoms simultaneously.

21. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 20, wherein said compound is

N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-1-[4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}urea (23-1, MK-82), or

N-(4-*tert*-butylbenzyl)-N'-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}- urea (23-2, MK-205).

22. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 15, corresponding to formula (V), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or isomer thereof :



wherein,

R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> is independently a hydrogen, halogen atom, cyano group, nitro group, lower alkyl amine, lower alkoxy group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, carboxylic acid, hydroxamic acid, alkyl ester group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkyl amide group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, benzylamide group, or a five or six-member heterocyclic ring; and

R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are independently a hydrogen, hydroxyl group, amino group, straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a phenyl or benzyl group optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of halogen atoms, amine groups and alkyl groups having 1 to 6 carbons, provided that both of R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are not hydrogen atoms simultaneously.

23. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 22, wherein said compound is selected from the group consisting of:

N-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(4-*tert*-butylphenyl)-acetamide (24-1, KMJ-586),

N-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-propanamide (24-2, KMJ-552),  
N-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(4-tert-butylphenyl)-2-propanamide (24-3, KMJ-570),  
N-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-propanamide (24-4, CHK-602),  
N-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-2-propanamide (24-5, CHK-651),  
N-1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)propanamide (24-6, CHK-534),  
N-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-propanamide (24-7, KMJ-558), and  
N-{1-[3-fluoro-4-(methylsulfonylamino)phenyl]ethyl}-3-(3,4-dimethylphenyl)-butanamide (24-8, CHK-647).

24. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 15, wherein R<sub>1</sub> to R<sub>4</sub> is independently a hydrogen, halogen atom, cyano group, nitro group, lower alkyl amine, lower alkoxy group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms, carboxylic acid, hydroxamic acid, alkyl ester group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, alkyl amide group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, benzylamide group, or a five or six-member heterocyclic ring.

25. (previously presented) A compound according to claim 15, wherein R<sub>5</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> are independently a hydrogen, hydroxyl group, amino group, straight or branched alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, cycloalkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms, or a phenyl or benzyl group optionally substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom, amine group or an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbons.

26. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 15 as an active ingredient in an effective vanilloid receptor

antagonizing amount, together with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

27. (previously presented) A method of treating acute pain, chronic pain, neuropathic pain, post-operative pain, migraine, arthralgia, neuropathies, nerve injury, diabetic neuropathy, neurodegeneration, neurotic skin disorder, stroke, urinary bladder hypersensitiveness, irritable bowel syndrome, a respiratory disorder, irritation of skin, eye or mucous membrane, fervescence, coughing, stomach-duodenal ulcer, or inflammatory bowel disease caused by the vanilloid receptor antagonistic activity, in a patient suffering therefrom, said method comprising administering to said patient a pharmaceutically effective amount of at least one compound according to claim 15.

28. (previously presented) Method of treating or inhibiting pain or inflammation, in a patient suffering therefrom, said method comprising administering to said patient a pharmaceutically effective amount of at least one compound according to claim 15.

29. (currently amended) The ~~pharmaceutical composition~~ method according to claim 27, wherein the respiratory disorder is asthma ~~or method of treating asthma~~ or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease ~~—, in a patient suffering therefrom, said method comprising administering to said patient a pharmaceutically effective amount of at least one compound according to claim 15.~~